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Klosterneuburg.

1. On 14 March 1951, the Pionier Kaserne in Klosterneuburg (O 49/S 30) was occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. A platoon-size unit of soldiers carrying rifles and wearing red-bordered black epaulets entered the installation from the direction of the former engineer ordnance depot. Jeep                      was parked in the barracks yard, while jeep                      and truck                      driven by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets entered the installation. 50X1-HUM
2. Approximately 75 soldiers, wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia, drilled with light infantry weapons, including Maxim heavy machine guns, at the drill field of the former engineer ordnance depot. Truck                      weapons carrier                      driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets, and motor vehicle                      were observed in the depot area. Six tank trucks were parked at the fuel dump of the former engineer ordnance depot. \* 50X1-HUM

Vienna.

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3. On 12 March, the Frost Kaserne in Vienna quartered troops, all of whom wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank, artillery, motor transport and signal insignia. Motor vehicles entering and leaving the installation included passenger car                      jeeps                      and                     , and trucks                      and                     . Approximately 140 troops were engaged in training at the drill ground of the installation. Their training included drill of unarmed soldiers up to platoon strength, close-order drill, aiming practice, field training, light machine gun and AT gun drill. Two AT guns observed were of 50 to 60mm caliber, had split trail carriages and wheels with five perforations each. Three motor vehicles, including tank truck                      were parked at the fuel dump on the drill ground. 50X1-HUM
4. Motor vehicle maintenance work was done in the garage at the water tower on Wintgenstrasse. Motor vehicles observed there included trucks                      and weapons carrier                     , jeep                      50X1-HUM

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5. Officers observed at the headquarters located at 10 Tolbukhinstrasse, X City District of Vienna, included a lieutenant colonel wearing golden epaulets with black stripes; and one major, two captains and several lieutenants wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles observed there included jeeps and [ ] the latter being driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets; trucks [ ] all driven by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, with the driver of the last truck also wearing a tank insignia; and passenger cars [ ]
6. Vehicles, which picked up bread at the bakery on Davidgasse, included van-like truck [ ] and truck [ ] with trailer, brought flour to the bakery. All vehicles were driven by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets.
7. Trucks [ ] were parked in front of the dispensary and hospital on Leibnitzgasse.
8. Repair work at a moderate rate was done at the garage on Fixingerstrasse, where trucks [ ] van-like truck [ ] and passenger car [ ] were observed.
9. Repair work at the usual rate was done at the garage on Pernersdorferstrasse. Motor vehicles observed there included trucks [ ] and weapons carrier [ ] \*\*

Tulln.

10. There was only a small local Soviet kommandatura in Tulln (O 49/S 10) on 15 March. Residents said that no Soviet troops have been stationed there since 1947. \*\*\*

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- \* [ ] Comment. The information indicates no change in the occupation of Kloster-neuburg. [ ] The 46th Gds Mecz Regt of the 13th Gds Mecz Div is stationed in both installations. All motor vehicles mentioned in the present report belonged to the division.
- \*\* [ ] Comment. The 44th Gds Mecz Regt of the 13th Gds Mecz Div is believed to be located in the Trost Kaserne. [ ] the garages on Wintgenstrasse and in the X City District are used exclusively by elements of this division.
- \*\*\* [ ] Comment. The Soviet kommandatura in Tulln was last reported in May 1949

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